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Application: 10/711,981
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Art Unit: 2155Applicant: Chen
Docket: RSW920040131US1
Title: Algorithm for Minimizing Rebate Value
Due to SLA Breach in a Utility
Computing Environment

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

This correspondence is responsive to the communication from the Examiner mailed July 26, 2006. The following table itemizes the papers that comprise the Applicant's response:

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Please amend the application identified above in accordance with the listing that follows the remarks. As amended, the Applicant submits that the claims of the present application are not fairly taught by any of the references of record, taken either alone or in combination. Therefore, allowance of the present application is in order, and is requested.